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April 28, 2022

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro  
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H-307 The Capitol  
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Kay Granger  
Ranking Member  
Committee on Appropriations  
1036 Longworth House Office Building  
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Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

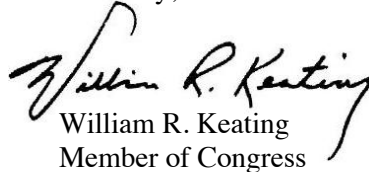
I am requesting \$950,000.00 in fiscal year 2023 community project funding for “**Mission-critical Secure Underwater Research Facility at WHOI**” located in Falmouth, MA. The entity to receive funding is Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution with offices located at 569 Woods Hole Road, Woods Hole, MA 02543.

Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution (WHOI) is the world's leading, independent non-profit organization dedicated to ocean research, exploration, and education. WHOI is constructing a mission-critical Secure Underwater Research Facility (SURF) on its main Quissett campus that will expand researchers to perform top secret and open-secure research and technology development.

This funding is a good use of taxpayer dollars because the facility will support the Institution's work with the Office of Naval Research, Navy, DARPA, DHS, NSF, NOAA, Department of Energy, additional federal and state agencies in addition to collaborations with industry.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,

  
William R. Keating  
Member of Congress